

CITY OF AUBURN PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

August 17, 2009

DRAFT MINUTES

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Rich Wagner called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. in Council Chambers, located on the first floor of Auburn City Hall, 25 West Main Street, Auburn, Washington. Committee members present were: Chairman Rich Wagner, Vice-Chair Gene Cerino, and Member Sue Singer. Also present during the meeting were: Mayor Peter B. Lewis, Public Works Director Dennis Dowdy, City Engineer/Assistant Director Dennis Selle, Assistant City Engineer Ingrid Gaub, Senior Project Engineer Bill Helbig, Utilities Engineer Dan Repp, Maintenance and Operations Manager Randy Bailey, Project Engineer Jacob Sweeting, Project Engineer Robert Lee, Sanitary Sewer Engineer Robert Elwell, Storm Drainage Engineer Tim Carlaw, Traffic Engineer Pablo Para, Transportation Planner/Grants Manager Chris Hankins, Transportation Planner Tiffin Goodman, Transportation Planner Joe Welsh, Utilities Civil Engineer Joel Chalmers, City Attorney Dan Heid, Associate City Attorney Allison Stanhope, Planning Director Cindy Baker, Assistant Planning Director Kevin Snyder, Principal Planner Jeff Dixon, Senior Planner Chris Andersen, Citizen Wayne Osborne, Robert Whale from the Auburn Reporter, and Department Secretary Jennifer Rigsby.

II. CONSENT AGENDA

A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Member Singer noted two errors to be corrected. On page 6, item A, "I Street corridor" will be corrected to read "A/B Street corridor" and on page 11, item H, the title "Area of Circulation Plan" will be corrected to read "Area Circulation Plan."

It was moved by Vice-Chair Cerino, seconded by Member Singer, that the Committee approve the Public Works Committee minutes for date August 3, 2009, with the corrections referenced above.

Motion carried 3-0.

B. APPROVE AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO CONSULTANT AGREEMENT NO. AG-C-350 WITH PARAMETRIX INC. FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES ON PROJECT NO. CP0817, 2009 SEWER AND STORM PUMP STATION REPLACEMENT PROJECT

Project Engineer Sweeting stated the original contract for Project No. CP0817 included an assessment of the White River Pump Station to determine what needed to be done for the station to operate at full capacity. The consultant reported the substructure can be saved at a significant cost savings; however the pumps and the walls and roof of the structure need to be replaced. The amendment provides for the completion of the design of the retrofitting at the White River Pump Station.

Sweeting answered questions asked by Chairman Wagner regarding the new design of the pump station and overhead powerlines. Chairman Wagner asked the age of the current pumps. Sweeting responded the pumps are approximately 30 years old and after conducting a pump test, if was determined they have lost about 25% of their original capacity and that it is difficult to determine how much longer the pumps will continue to function.

Sweeting reviewed the budget status sheet for all three pump station sites, the cost to rebuild the station and the cost of the pumps with the Committee.

It was moved by Vice-Chair Cerino, seconded by Member Singer, that the Committee recommend Council approve Amendment No. 1 to Consultant Agreement No. AG-C-350 for engineering services on Project No. CP0817, 2009 Sewer and Storm Pump Station Replacement Project.

Motion carried 3-0.

AGENDA MODIFICATION

C. APPROVE CHANGE ORDER NO. 5 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$608,545 TO CONTRACT 05-17 WITH INTERWEST DEVELOPMENT FOR WORK ON PROJECT C504A, R STREET SE UTILITY IMPROVEMENTS

Project Engineer Lee stated Change Order No. 5 is being requested to address bid item quantity increases. Due to field conditions some of the quantities have increased significantly. Lee said the field conditions were unforeseen and included such issues as widening of the utility trenches, caused by sloughing of the trench walls in the old landfill area, and a conflict with Puget Sound Energy gas lines which required the storm line to be moved on 21st Street creating a wider trench and more pavement restoration and additional sidewalk replacement.

Lee discussed how the quantities of the bid items were calculated and reviewed the budget status sheet. Lee answered questions asked by Chairman Wagner regarding the replenishment of the authorized contingency for the project.

Member Singer asked if staff has identified those areas in town that may have the same problems as 21st Street when trenched. Mayor Lewis answered as much as is possible.

Project Engineer Lee said night work will soon be starting on the new storm system crossing Auburn Way south at 17th Street SE on the evening of Tuesday, August 18, 2009. The intersection of M Street SE and 17th Street SE will be closed on the evening of the 18th and on the evenings of Wednesday, August 19th and Thursday, August 20th there will be lane closures on Auburn Way S and the Auburn Police Department will be assisting with traffic control.

It was moved by Vice-Chair Cerino, seconded by Member Singer, that the Committee recommend Council approve Change Order No. 5 to Contract No. 05-17 for work on Project No. C504A, R Street SE Utility Improvements.

Motion carried 3-0.

III. ISSUES

A. ORDINANCE NO. 6238 REPEALING CHAPTER 13.32 OF THE AUBURN CITY CODE; ADOPTING A NEW CHAPTER 13.32A OF THE AUBURN CITY CODE; AND AMENDING SECTIONS 13.36.090, 13.36.110, AND 13.36.130 OF THE AUBURN CITY CODE, ALL RELATING TO UNDERGROUND WIRING

Assistant City Engineer Gaub reviewed the comments from the Committee which were addressed in Ordinance No. 6238. Section 13.32A.120, A, 1 and 3, where additional language was provided to clarify the meaning of a planned City project and adjacent properties.

Gaub answered questions asked by Chairman Wagner regarding how staff would view a situation where technological solutions exist but may be expensive. Gaub responded that as with all development, the benefit of the requirements must be consistent with the amount of development occurring.

Chairman Wagner asked if in chapter 13.32A.50, the requirement for all new utilities to be underground, will apply to residential and commercial developments. Gaub answered it would apply to all developments, unless they met one of the exemptions in the code or ask for a deferral of the requirement. Assistant Director/City Engineer Selle stated staff will monitor this ordinance and if any adjustments are needed staff will bring the ordinance back to Committee.

It was moved by Vice-Chair Cerino, seconded by Member Singer, that the Committee recommend Council adopt Ordinance No. 6238.

Motion carried 3-0.

B. ORDINANCE NO. 6259 AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 6219 TO EXTEND THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN CHANGES

Principal Planner Dixon provided background on Ordinance No. 6259 and the original Ordinance No. 6183 which provided zoning changes and special area plan adoption for an area in the northern part of the City. These changes were subject to the proposed development agreement by the Robertson Property Group (RPG) Project. The special zoning provision was set to expire on December 13, 2008, but was extended to August 31, 2009 by adoption of Ordinance No. 6219. The proposed Ordinance No. 6259 will extend the time of the zoning and comprehensive plan changes provided by Ordinance No. 6183 to August 31, 2010.

Staff is requesting Public Works recommendation for adoption of the ordinance and believe the extension is appropriate based on the City's flood plain moratorium pending the revision of the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Flood Plain Maps. Staff is continuing to negotiate with RPG on their development agreement. RGP is currently working on some supplements to their previous environmental impact statement.

Mayor Lewis and City Attorney Heid responded to questions asked by Chairman Wagner regarding the WCIA concerns about entering into development agreements and how that might relate to the agreement with RPG. Heid stated the RPG agreement is vested under the earlier development agreement regulations. The Committee, Mayor Lewis, and City Attorney Heid continued discussion regarding the Council, quasi-judicial roles, and interaction with the City's insurance carrier.

Vice-Chair Cerino asked if the new flood plain map would change the RPG property. Dixon answered if FEMA does adopt the new flood plain map, a greater portion of the property would show up in a flood plain and the City does not have the ability to vest the developer to current flood plain requirements because the maps and requirements come from the Federal authorities.

Chairman Wagner asked if the ordinance was reviewed by the Planning and Community Development Committee. Dixon answered due to the Council meeting schedule and the August 31, 2009 expiration date; the ordinance will be reviewed by the Public Works and Finance Committees.

Member Singer stated since the City moratorium is part of what has prevented the developer from moving forward, she is in support of Ordinance No. 6259 and the extension. Vice-Chair Cerino agreed. Vice-Chair Cerino spoke about the importance of developing the area.

It was moved by Vice-Chair Cerino, seconded by Member Singer, that the Committee recommend Council adopt Ordinance No. 6259.

Motion carried 3-0.

IV. DISCUSSION AND INFORMATION

A. ORDINANCE NO. 6253 AMENDMENTS TO CHAPTER 18.04 DEFINITION AND CHAPTER 18.26 C-1 LIGHT COMMERCIAL DISTRICT

The Committee reviewed the changes to the ordinance made on page 8, items 5 and 6, with Assistant Planning Director Snyder.

Using a graphic, Snyder and Senior Planner Andersen, spoke about "horizontal mixed use development." This will allow developers to distribute the minimum required 50% commercial use square footage amongst one or more buildings on the development site in a C-1 zone.

Chairman Wagner commented all developers will not be satisfied with the changes made. Mayor Lewis stated there will be property owners from the Lea Hill area at the Council meeting for further discussion about the ordinance. The Committee reviewed the map showing the remaining C-1 properties in the City.

Mayor Lewis and Assistant Planning Director Snyder verified that 50% of the cumulative developed site must be commercial, in C-1 zones.

Senior Planner Andersen spoke about project phasing which would allow developers to build commercial first and later build the residential. The commercial development must be phased in prior to the development of the residential.

Chairman Wagner did not ask for Committee consensus at this time. Discussion is to be continued at the Council meeting.

B. RESOLUTION NO. 4513 DECLARING CERTAIN ITEMS OF PROPERTY AS SURPLUS AND AUTHORIZING THEIR DISPOSAL

There were no questions from the Committee and the Committee is in support of approval of the resolution.

C. GRANT UPDATE

Director Dowdy recommended this discussion be deferred to the next Public Works Committee meeting. The Committee agreed.

D. ORDINANCE NO. 6256 WHICH AMENDS SECTIONS 10.36.020 AND 10.36.270 OF THE AUBURN CITY CODE RELATING TO PARKING ON PLANTING STRIPS IN RESIDENTIAL ZONES

Transportation Planner/Grants Manager Hankins reported the updated version of Ordinance No. 6256 has revisions suggested by the Legal Department and Parking Enforcement. Chairman Wagner asked for additional time to review the revised ordinance. City Attorney Heid stated there is no deadline for the ordinance.

Chairman Wagner asked that more definition of roadway shoulder versus landscape strip be included. Member Singer asked for clarification on the different curb types to be included as well.

Hankins answered questions asked by Vice-Chair Cerino regarding parking enforcement, reporting parking on landscape strips is currently allowed.

The revised ordinance will be discussed at the next Public Works Committee Meeting.

E. SAFE WALKING ROUTES REPORT FROM AUBURN SCHOOL DISTRICT

Transportation Planner/Grants Manager Hankins provided the Committee with the information staff received from the Auburn School District about their safe walking routes to school program. The requests from schools are reviewed by a Committee that then submits requests to the school board for review. Chairman Wagner commented the various schools did not use a uniform map format.

Mayor Lewis discussed the process the school district is using to gather data on safe walking routes and sharing information with the City.

Member Singer asked how staff responds to school district requests. Transportation Planner/Grants Manager Hankins answered staff meets with the school district's committee and reviews all requests and addresses requests that involve City issues, such as broken curbs.

Chairman Wagner asked the school district develop a more uniform method for mapping their requests so staff can better understand and respond. Member Singer asked for copies of the City's responses to the school district.

F. PROJECT NO. C524A SCADA SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS-- UPDATE

Chairman Wagner suggested this discussion topic be postponed until the next Public Works Committee Meeting. Project Engineer Lee distributed materials for the Committee to review.

G. COMPREHENSIVE SANITARY SEWER PLAN UPDATE

Sanitary Sewer Engineer Elwell reviewed the changes that were made to the new plan as compared to previous plans. Chapters on Policies and Implementation were added to the updated plan. Following staff review, it was decided a Financial Chapter will also be included. Elwell answered questions asked by Chairman Wagner regarding the map which shows the engineering details of the sewer pipes, such as size. Elwell stated more detailed information could be included on the draft plan map. Utilities Engineer Repp explained how staff used the GIS system to provide detail of the sanitary sewer system. Chairman Wagner commented on the proposed sanitary sewer lines that are shown on the map. Elwell responded the lines are not ones that the City is proposing to build but rather a guideline for how the system should be extended in the future. Chairman Wagner recommended a notation be included on the map legend using the term "conceptual." Mayor Lewis agreed.

Sanitary Sewer Engineer Elwell answered questions asked by Chairman Wagner regarding the identification of manholes that may be problematic. Assistant Director/City Engineer Selle stated critical manholes will be identified in the plan and the GIS system will be used as a more detailed tool for the decision making process. Utilities Engineer Repp discussed the use of the results of the hydraulic model. Assistant Director/City Engineer Selle and Elwell responded to questions asked by Chairman Wagner about bypassing pump stations in the event of pump station failure.

The Committee began the review of the Draft Comprehensive Sewer Plan with the Executive Summary.

<u>Page ES-2:</u> Chairman Wagner asked where the guide line for level of service of "once per 5-year flow with one pump out of service and…once per 20-year flow with all pumps in service" for System Capacity originates. Elwell answered the Department of Ecology and King County use the standard as a suggested standard.

Chairman Wagner asked if the if the age and material information has been validated by the result of Maintenance and Operation inspection as stated in Level of Service for policy 2.2. Elwell responded the inventory and validation is an ongoing process and explained how the CarteGraph software will be used to facilitate the creation of the database.

Chairman Wagner suggested comments regarding water usage and sustainability and functionality of the system be included in policy 3.2 Level of Service.

The Committee and staff discussed including the utilization of future gray water technologies in the policy and Level of Service sections. Utilities Engineer Repp discussed the difference between treatments of reclaimed water versus those of gray water. Repp recommended that staff use the term reclaimed water instead of gray water in the plan.

The Committee and staff discussed the inclusion of guidelines regarding extending service outside the existing service boundaries. Elwell recommended including language stating extensions of service will be reviewed on a case by case basis. Chairman Wagner and Mayor

Lewis agreed and suggested wording such as "will be considered but not encouraged". Director Dowdy explained how staff has worked with adjacent service providers on extending service in the past.

- <u>Page ES-7:</u> Chairman Wagner suggested more detail regarding Hazard Planning be included in the plan or a reference to the Emergency Management Manual.
- <u>Page 2-4:</u> Chairman Wagner express concern that the statement "...all new development shall be served by Public sewers..." in section 2.6.1 may be too inflexible. Assistant Director/City Engineer said parameters and qualifiers could be added to increase flexibility and allow for larger lot developments to use individual septic systems.
- <u>Page 3-3:</u> Sanitary Sewer Engineer Elwell explained how modeling was used to calculate I/I flows following questions asked be Chairman Wagner. Assistant Director/City Engineer Selle said for pump stations the I/I can be calculated and in areas where there are gravity systems, staff uses the industry standards.
- <u>Page 4-14:</u> Elwell clarified the difference between the force mains that come from the large pump stations and low pressure systems to which individual pumps are connected. Chairman Wagner requested more definition of force mains be added to distinguish them from privately owned grinder pump installations.
- <u>Page 4-16:</u> The Committee reviewed section 4.5 regarding Wastewater Reuse. Mayor Lewis said a reference to the City looking at new water technology in its jurisdiction needs to be included.
- <u>Page 5-3:</u> Sanitary Sewer Engineer Elwell stated the population figures used will be updated in the model following questions about the estimation of projected population expansion.

Elwell answered questions asked by Chairman Wagner regarding the impacts of the King County conveyance improvement program on the City's system. Chairman Wagner asked that paragraph four be reworded to reflect Elwell's explanation.

- <u>Page 6-4:</u> Utilities Engineer Repp described the six-year project planning for installation of emergency power generators at all sanitary sewer pump stations, as described in project number 8.
- <u>Page 6-6:</u> Chairman Wagner asked that the name "Casino Pump Station" be changed to better reflect the actual total service area.
- <u>Page 7-3:</u> Sanitary Sewer Engineer Elwell explained why sewer meters are not used on individual residences and commercial buildings. Utilities Engineer Repp discussed the difficulty in accurately measuring open channel flow.
- <u>Page 7-4:</u> The Committee and staff discussed the Emergency Response Manual. Chairman Wagner requested more discussion at Committee meetings regarding the Public Works Emergency Response for sewage spills. Member Singer requested the topic be discussed at the Committee of the Whole Meeting.
- <u>Page 7-6:</u> The Committee discussed the need for responding to law enforcement agency requests to search for crime evidence in the sewer system.

<u>Page 8-1:</u> Chairman Wagner asked about the Finance Chapter. Utilities Engineer Repp answered staff is working with the consultant, FCS Group, on the financials and the chapter will be in a similar format as that in the Draft Comprehensive Water Plan.

<u>Page 9-2:</u> Sanitary Sewer Engineer stated most of the projects listed on the Annual Project Cost Summary were previously identified and generally there are not a lot of capacity issues in planning. The majority of projects listed are repair and replacement projects and divided into priorities to benefit the rate study. Utilities Engineer Repp commented on the current pump station projects.

<u>Page 9-6:</u> Elwell provided clarification regarding the conceptual nature of the Sanitary Sewer Pump Station Criticality graph.

<u>Page 10-1:</u> Chairman Wagner asked that a Report Limitations statement be included in the Comprehensive Water and Storm Drainage Plans.

The Committee continued their review with Appendix B.

<u>Page 2:</u> Chairman Wagner verified with Sanitary Sewer Engineer Elwell that the Force Mains listed under Pipe Material in table ES-1 were not related to grinder pumps.

Page 8: Elwell described circumstances when ductile iron pipe might be used.

Page 13: Chairman Wagner commented that the difference between the total costs of Residential and Commercial as listed in table 6 did not appear great enough. Elwell responded the table is based on a lot of assumptions, especially since there is not as much consolidated data as staff would like for analysis. Mayor Lewis asked who developed the table and if the data is empirical. Elwell answered the table was developed by the consultants working with other jurisdictions and the figures are a generalization. Chairman Wagner suggested the data be reviewed and spoke about the benefit to the Capital Improvement Plan if the Commercial zoning was reflected as being more critical than Residential and Industrial.

Sanitary Sewer Engineer Elwell responded to questions asked by Member Singer regarding the cost of locating lines near railroad tracks.

<u>Page 29:</u> Chairman Wagner suggested the cost to customers listed in the Disruption of Service section be reviewed for accuracy, with focus on the Commercial figures.

Sanitary Sewer Engineer Elwell concluded, the Draft Comprehensive Sanitary Sewer Plan will be reviewed at the Planning and Community Development Committee Meeting on August 24, 2009. Staff comments and changes, as well as those from the Department of Ecology, will be incorporated into the plan and the plan will be brought back for Committee review in October 2009.

Member Singer asked if language about not commingling the funds for system development in capital projects in the Financial Chapter. Utilities Engineer Repp answered Finance Director Coleman is working on the details and it is expected to be a recommendation.

H. COMPREHENSIVE STORMWATER DRAINAGE PLAN UPDATE (Carlaw)

Storm Drainage Engineer Carlaw and the Committee began review of the Executive Summary.

<u>Page ES-2:</u> Chairman Wagner asked for clarification on the 100 year scale used as the Level of Service Goal in item 1 of table ES-1. Storm Drainage Engineer Carlaw responded, following previous discussion with the Committee, staff determined 100 years was an appropriate storm that could be reviewed and modeled. The 100 year scale is limited to critical City facilities. Chairman Wagner asked for a clearer definition of 100 year storm be included.

Chairman Wagner suggested the wording in the Level of Service for item 4 be changed from "No stormwater discharge..." to "No direct stormwater discharge..."

<u>Page ES-3:</u> Carlaw answered questions asked by Chairman Wagner regarding the loss of native vegetation in ditches along railroads. Carlaw stated the ditches are created and therefore need to be maintained, unless they are designated sensitive areas, such as wetlands, then mitigation would be required.

The Committee and staff discussed statements of sustainability that are included in the plan. Utilities Engineer Repp said the statements are included in the plan to provide not only statements on sustainability for particular utilities but also resource use as important things to consider during future planning. Chairman Wagner recommended adding a statement, such as, "Over the next planning period, reasonable resources will be applied to improve sustainability."

Item 19, Chairman Wagner asked that the word "practices" in Level of Service be changed to be more specific.

<u>Figure ES-1:</u> Storm Water Utility Engineer Carlaw explained the prioritizing of the basins, following questions asked by Member Singer. Carlaw stated the map alludes to the level of information staff has about the basins. Member Singer recommended not using the term "basin priorities." Utilities Engineer Repp commented that basin priorities relate to the timing of basin inventory work. The Committee and staff discussed the map and the layout for the basins.

<u>Page 3-1:</u> Chairman Wagner asked for more clarification from the authors regarding the term "employee relations."

<u>Page 4-8:</u> The Committee and staff reviewed table 4-3, and which drainage problems are of a higher priority than others.

Member Singer mentioned the flooding on sections of the Interurban Trail. The Committee discussed being more proactive addressing problems in non-motorized areas. Assistant Director/City Engineer stated most of the problems are related to roadways.

<u>Page 5-5:</u> Chairman Wagner spoke about whether or not the risk cost is appropriately balanced between different uses, commercial, industrial, and residential.

<u>Figure 6-1:</u> Storm Drainage Utility Engineer Carlaw responded to questions asked by Member Singer regarding the inclusion of the Environmental Park District/Downtown Area catch basin project on the Project Locations Map.

Utilities Engineer Repp stated an update on the Downtown Water Quality Project is going to be brought to the Committee for review following a feasibility of design review. Carlaw verified the project is currently included in the Capital Improvement Plan (CIP).

Chairman Wagner asked for additional information on project location 14, Relieve West Main Street Flooding. Carlaw stated this plan is to identify the need to rebuild the existing pump to meet a more robust City standard of pump station and meet Levels of Service standards. Carlaw said the current pump station, although functioning well, does not have redundant pumping or generation capacity.

Carlaw spoke about the Bry's Cove Pond Expansion.

<u>Page 6-6:</u> Chairman Wagner asked if the funds for the Port of Seattle Mitigation Agreement Project are City funds or Port of Seattle funds. Carlaw answered the funds are Port funds and they sunset in 2011.

Page 6-13: The Committee and staff reviewed the cost estimates for Project No. 11B – Phase

<u>Page 6-27 and 31:</u> Carlaw reported there is ongoing ravine erosion and drainage is unpredictable, making planning difficult. Carlaw said staff is proposing Phase 1 for Project No. 15A, B and Project No. 16A, B start in 2010. Carlaw pointed out the Bry's Cove Expansion Phase 2 is predicated on the future development of the Bry's Cove project, a vested plat in King County. Utilities Engineer Repp spoke about the efforts being made to control stormwater in the area. The Committee and staff discussed how staff is coordinating with King County to plan the projects in this area.

<u>Page 7-13:</u> Chairman Wagner commented on the establishment of computer decision making processes and asked the process be made simple.

Chairman Wagner asked when the Committee will review the Finance Chapter. Utilities Engineer Repp answered the consultant should be submitting the chapter within the next week. Chairman Wagner asked for further clarification on the graph used in the Appendix, page D-7 the next time the plan is reviewed.

I. COMPREHENSIVE TRANSPORTATION PLAN UPDATE

Transportation Planner Goodman presented the table on Capital Roadway Projects and the Corridor Level of Service Alternatives Comparison table. Goodman explained the Level of Service alternatives listed. Alternative 1 included projects currently programmed into the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), alternative 2 are projects in the City that are not currently in the TIP but are in the Comprehensive Transportation Plan, and alternative 3 are regional projects.

Goodman noted there is more emphasis on spot improvements in the updated plan than there has been in previous plans. The focus was on intersection delays and/or small section delays and trying to program cost-effective projects that would have a wider benefit.

Goodman requested Committee direction on a Lea Hill access project. Staff presented two proposed alternatives for addressing access to the Lea Hill area; improving the existing 8th Street NE/Lea Hill Road corridor and the development of a new corridor along 22nd Street NE and 304th Way SE with a connecting bridge across the Green River. Chairman Wagner and

Member Singer agreed, with the difficulties related to bridge building, expanding 8th Street NE appears to be the better option. In addition, the bridge option did not significantly improve Level of Service. The Committee agreed that the 8th Street NE/Lea Hill Road corridor is the preferred alternative to include in the Comprehensive Plan.

Chairman Wagner asked if all of the Green River Community College Improvement projects need to be completed to be beneficial. Traffic Engineer Para answered some of the projects would be more beneficial than others and some of the projects would be of no benefit without completion of the others. Assistant Director/City Engineer Selle stated staff can include the order the projects should be completed, sequencing and interconnectedness in the Comprehensive Plan. Para said staff will be meeting with the Green River Community College staff to discuss the projects and issues they address. Selle said the Planning Department will also be at the meeting with the college as well. Chairman Wagner spoke about joint funding of the projects between the City and college. The Committee discussed traffic backups that occur due to the design of the college entrance.

Transportation Planner Goodman answered questions asked by Member Singer regarding Project No. 8 and the inclusion of sidewalks. Traffic Engineer Para verified the project will include the complete street concept and there will be sidewalks.

Chairman Wagner asked why Kersey Way was not on the project list. Goodman answered there does not appear to be a Level of Service problem at that location. The Level of Service table does assume the Stewart Road (8th Street in Pacific) project will be completed.

Transportation Planner Goodman plans on returning to the Committee with a completed draft for review on September 8, 2009. There is a Public Hearing set before the Planning Commission on October 6, 2009 and recommendations will be made. Following the Public Hearing, staff will bring the revised plan back to the Committees for review. The plan should be adopted in late November 2009.

J. CODE UPDATE PROJECT - DESIGN STANDARDS

Assistant Director/City Engineer Selle and Traffic Engineer Para answered questions asked by Chairman Wagner regarding if there was any requirement to paint the curbs of medians. Chairman Wagner asked that Para check with other jurisdictions to see if they have problems with medians not being visible to drivers.

Traffic Engineer Para responded to questions asked by Member Singer about the 8 feet minimum requirement for landscape strips in the median. Member Singer suggested irrigation be required for landscape strips in medians.

Assistant Director/City Engineer Selle provided clarification on the statement "shall not restrict the flow of surface drainage, "following a question asked by Chairman Wagner.

Chairman Wagner suggested a statement be added that would allow for shorter left turn channelization if there was traffic analysis that supported it and with approval from the City Engineer. Selle spoke about the ability for deviations from the standards.

Traffic Engineer Para discussed the legality of driving over a painted island.

K. CAPITAL PROJECT STATUS REPORT

There were no questions from the Committee.

V. ADJOURNMENT

ADJOURNMENT		the meeting Was
There being no further adjourned at 6:35 p.m.	business to come before the	Public Works Committee, the meeting was
Approved this		, 2009.
Rich Wagner		Jennifer Rigsby Public Works Department Secretary
Chairman		Public Works Dopus